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Applicants: Wu et al.) Examiner:) Michail A. Belyavskyi Serial No. : 10/679,184) Art Unit: Cnfrm. No. : 2775) 1644) Filed: October 3, 2003) For : THREE-DIMENSIONAL PERIPHERAL LYMPHOID ORGAN CELL CULTURES)

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

In response to the February 22, 2006, written restriction requirement, applicants hereby elect Group I (i.e., claims 2-23) with traverse. Applicants submit that the claims of the present application are closely related and, therefore, require common areas of search and consideration. Accordingly, the restriction requirement is improper and should be withdrawn in its entirety.

Respectfully submitted,

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